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**SLAVERY IN CUBA DOOMED.**—A  
New York dispatch of Sunday says:  
A Havana letter says the conviction  
has been made that slavery in its  
present form will be abolished, and  
not a single step has been taken to  
secure any other system.

**The Governor's Age.**  
The recent developments of corrup-  
tion in high places is astounding,  
and well calculated to disgust one with  
the present time, whenever duty  
calls for it. The Governor, the  
Senator from Kansas is also being tried  
and is doubt equally guilty of try-  
ing his best.

In Missouri a similar Senatorial  
corruption now exists.  
Pennsylvania is conceded a brook  
of corruption.  
Louisiana and Alabama, poor  
corruption ridden territories, have sunk  
low to the excitement.

In all the Southern States, and many  
of the Northern States, these applica-  
tions are unopposed, and the only ques-  
tion is which of the contending factions  
is the least guilty. Legislative bodies  
are bought and sold with no more to  
do than a passing telegraphic dispatch.  
Congress—the great seat of power—  
stands fearfully guilty. The Credit  
Mobilier swindle bids fair to rob it  
of some who were esteemed its purest  
and best members; its status of re-  
newal, its high officials, representa-  
tives, senators, and two vice-presi-  
dents—Colfax, Wilson, Patterson, Brooks,  
Kramer, and others. The whole batch  
is rotten and leprous. The most harm-  
ful feature of all is, that the people  
receive all these exposures with com-  
placency—have grown so used to  
such charges and such scenes that not  
even surprise is excited, and usually  
punishment is visited upon the guilty  
wretches, who unconsciously continue  
to riot in corruption, and often are  
bored for their bespeaks and turpitude.

In the whole batch there appears but  
one Democrat—possibly because they  
had not the same temptation—Brooks  
of New York and we hope and believe  
every Democratic member will vote for  
his immediate expulsion.

Will party feeling cover up these  
aggravated outrages, and prevent the mis-  
erable wretches from being tried? Will  
the nation's honor be sacrificed to  
party feeling? Is there virtue and honor  
enough left with the people to re-  
sist this wholesale corruption which is  
sweeping the country to destruction?  
This is no fancy picture, but dreadful  
reality. The rescue must come from the  
great States of the North. We, away  
down here in rebel Kentucky, can do  
nothing, but read and gaze on the  
vile enactments in painful agony.

As a republic we cannot long carry  
this immense burden of corruption which  
now pervades every department of gov-  
ernment, state, federal, executive, legis-  
lative, and judiciary. The people  
themselves will finally become corrupt—  
if indeed the majority are not al-  
ready—and then there is no corrective  
power—but the strong arm of empire  
has the history of the world. The  
people must not deceive themselves  
that all these charges of corruption are  
the result of party malice, and shield  
the culprits from party pride. If love  
of country is above love of party, all  
these corruptocrats will be properly  
punished.

**Tunneling the Mississippi.**  
A bill is pending before Congress  
to charter a company to construct a  
tunnel under the Ohio and Mississippi  
rivers, at their junction, to admit of  
through railroad communication.  
These rivers, at that point do not ad-  
mit bridges, and boats are possibly  
the only permanent means of securing  
continuous railroad transportation. We  
suppose the feasibility of constructing  
the tunnels has been determined by  
actual survey, and if this be the case  
then, eventually, we may expect a tun-  
nel under the Mississippi from Illinois  
to Missouri, and one under the Ohio  
River to Kentucky. This would con-  
nect the two Southern railroad systems  
with that of Illinois. It would open  
the Southwest routes from Illinois to  
Arkansas and Texas, and the South  
western routes to Tennessee, Mississippi,  
Georgia, Alabama, Florida, and  
Louisiana. Through trains could then  
pass without detention and without  
breaking bulk, or the slow and costly  
proceeding of transfer by boats.

**Four State Prisons.**  
A New Proposition.  
Judge Graves, the watchful guardian  
of our public interests, is giving  
attention to law reform at present, and  
the Press is bound to record him in  
every legitimate scheme that is calcu-  
lated to confer the greatest good on the  
greatest number, according to the so-  
cial principle of Jerry Benham and other  
right thinking men. His latest  
scheme, a proposition to build four  
prisons, is a very important principle of making  
criminals pay their way as they are  
incarcerated, and is a very important  
principle of making criminals pay their  
way as they are incarcerated. The  
Judge proposes that there should be  
four branches of the penitentiary in  
the State. With regard to the loca-  
tion, he thinks this question should be  
settled in connection with other  
considerations. For instance, the loca-  
tion might be determined according to  
the convenience of finding employment  
for the convicts. The proposition is to  
lease the penitentiaries, and to make  
them pay for themselves. It is pro-  
posed, in the scheme contemplated,  
to give the lessee the privilege of  
employing any kind of healthy em-  
ployment that may be agreed upon by  
the honorable committee. The peniten-  
tiaries, at least some of them, might be  
placed in the coal districts for example.  
The present establishment at Frankfort  
is in a very unhealthy location, and  
the rearrangement, number and differ-  
ent distribution were proposed, it don't  
matter, provided the ultimate end is  
compassed, namely making the criminal  
pay for his incarceration, and making  
the State pay for the cost of the  
prison. The subject is worthy of very  
serious consideration.

**James Patton**, in a late letter to the  
New York Tribune, says that "the  
South is our Ireland, and we are  
taking a selfish vengeance on it." A  
good many northern men are begin-  
ning to see the course of the Grant  
administration toward the South in the same  
light.

**Gov. Washburn**, of Massachusetts,  
thinks women should be allowed to  
vote on prohibition, but on that only.

**The Vienna World's Fair** opens on  
the 1st of May next. It will no doubt  
be what it seems—impulse—the World's  
Exhibition. The telegraph informs us  
that a number of the crowned heads  
of Europe will be in attendance. Among  
them are the Emperor of Russia and  
Germany, the Shah of Persia, the  
Sultan of Turkey and the Viceroy of  
Egypt. The Prince of Wales will be  
at the opening of the Exhibition. There  
will be the greatest gathering of the  
rulers of the earth that was ever wit-  
nessed before. It has been suggested  
that President Grant, instead of going  
to Long Branch in May, go to Vienna.

**DELINQUENT TAXES.** A bill is be-  
fore our State Legislature from which  
much good must come, providing for  
the collection of delinquent taxes by  
agents of the Commonwealth. It re-  
quires the Auditor to furnish agents,  
for their respective counties, lists of de-  
linquents, and when not paid in sixty  
days after notice, the agent may sell  
lands on thirty days' notice, but sub-  
ject to redemption within two years by  
payment of purchase money, with twenty  
percent interest.

**WOMAN'S RIGHTS.**—The Frankfort  
correspondent of the Louisville Com-  
mercial says:  
Mrs. Dr. Harriet Cutler, of Ohio, is  
here for the purpose of securing  
legislative action in favor of female  
suffrage. Our humble opinion is that  
she ought to have a dozen children to  
hang around her neck to "keep her  
head low and wise." Women have  
enough to do now, and do it with  
privileges can find plenty without go-  
ing to the polls, or speaking from the  
forums of our republic.

**A MILITARY SENSATION.**—Much  
sensation was produced to day by a  
long conference of the President at the  
Senate with Cameron and others. This  
is variously explained, some saying  
that the Geneva award and Wash-  
ington treaty are the topics, and others  
that the visit referred to Government  
relations with Spain. It is asserted  
that the military ring strongly fa-  
vor the recognition of the Cuban in-  
surgents, and are speculating actively  
in Cuban bonds.

**Snow in the West.**  
The deep snows of the West will be  
of immense advantage to that section.  
They will give the growing wheat the  
best protection it could have against  
winter killing, and so help to insure  
an abundant crop. Besides this, the  
crucial melting will saturate the  
ground so that the springs, creeks, and  
rivers will be fully supplied, and there  
will be no fear of a parching drought  
during the next summer.

**The St. Louis papers** have employ-  
ed "cherries" for small pox and diph-  
theria. There were no deaths there  
from small pox last week, but sixty  
two persons were buried from effects  
of variola. And there was a large  
number who died from that fell affec-  
tion, "unknown to the board of health."  
Gentlemen, small pox smells just as  
sweet by any other name. You can't  
tell us country folks by your technical  
names and scientific eulogiums.

The attempt to pay Grant \$50,000  
a year has created a desire on the part  
of members of Congress to improve  
their financial condition by an advance  
from \$5,000 to \$10,000. The old salary  
with Credit Mobilier perquisites will  
do very well. But then members have  
to do something to get off for the loss  
of the franking privilege.

As will be seen by the Washington  
dispatches President Grant has assured  
a delegation of Georgians that after the  
close of the present session of Congress  
he should, in company with the mem-  
bers of the Cabinet, make an extended  
southern tour, visiting New Orleans  
via Richmond, Raleigh, Columbus,  
Mobile, and other places, perhaps in-  
cluding Memphis and Nashville on re-  
turn.

**THE DANNING DEED EXPOSED.**  
There was a dead bush, then a Sen-  
ator York, Montgomery, arose and  
called the floor on a question of pri-  
vilege, which was granted him. He  
drew from his pocket an envelope con-  
taining seven thousand dollars in cur-  
rent funds, walked down the aisle and  
laid it in the lap of the Speaker, with  
the remark that he could not read it.  
There was a little buzz of surprise,  
and then a speaker of strained expectan-  
cy as the Speaker turned over the crisp  
notes, and the hall walked back to his  
seat. "Gentlemen," said York, "I  
have an explanation to make to this  
body upon my vote for Senator. I  
shall vote for Samuel C. Pomeroy for  
the best reason that I can give. The  
reason is now on the desk of your pre-  
siding officer." There were a good  
many pale and scared faces in the  
hall. The speaker turned to the investi-  
gation of the circumstances of this  
crime.

**INTENSE EXCITEMENT.**  
As he proceeded, the excitement be-  
came intense, and finally wherever the  
name of Pomeroy was mentioned there  
would be a storm of indignation. It  
was a revolution. York caught his  
favor in the fine fibers of his nervous  
organism and became inspired. He  
said: "I know I am a disgraced man;  
I have wilfully and of malice afore-  
thought betrayed a trust reposed in me  
by a fellow man. I did it with eyes  
wide open, and a mind full of compre-  
hension of the consequences; but I did  
it because I thought it was a sacrifice  
required of me to save the State from  
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# THE HICKMAN COURIER.

THURSDAY, FEB. 8, 1873.

**BRAND'S CHILL CURE** acts on the liver & bowels. Brand's Chill Cure acts on the liver & bowels. Brand's Chill Cure acts on the liver & bowels.

It is feared the recent thaw and spell warm weather has injured the wheat this section.

**COMIC VALENTINES** have been attracting juvenile crowds to show windows several days past.

The small box has entirely disappeared from the neighborhood, opposite Hickman, in Missouri. So we understand.

The City Council has ordered the special election for judge of the city court, Tuesday, the 11th inst. A lively little race is in progress. T. O. Boulden and R. E. Millet are the contestants.

The Trustees of the Hickman are urging the people of that town to vote a railroad, by comparison, does Hickman a great injustice, as to population, etc. Some people however strongly fortified with legitimate arguments have at the brain to use them.

The Mardi Gras ball on the 25th inst., has been resolved into a benevolent institution, having been determined to appropriate the money taken at the ball to the purpose of buying a fire engine, and donating the same to the city.

\$40,000.—The City Council have had prepared an amendment to our city charter, which is now before the Legislature, authorizing a subscription of \$40,000 to the Mississippi River and Railroad Company. The subscription is to be voted upon by the people.

**50,000 Feet of Walnut Lumber** WANTED, for which the highest market price in cash will be paid. G. OSWALD & CO.

**THE GERMAN BAL MARQUE**—The German Bal Marque, Monday night, notwithstanding the disagreeable weather, was well attended. Margraff's string band furnished the music—which has no imperfections, and which has grown absolutely essential to every festival of grace in this community. The characters and costumes chosen by the managers were in excellent taste, and all presented a pleasing appearance. We should like to particularize, but space forbids. At this ball there was something more than the motley which commonly distinguish masquerades, and which well serve to amuse, for in representation there was the classic, historic, mythological, and dramatic characters. Long may our society be enriched by such occasions.

**For Sixty Days.** For sixty days, from January 1st, the New York store proposes selling all kind of winter goods, including gentlemen's clothing and ladies' dress goods, at cost. Their stock is general and consist of the very best grades. We are to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere.

We will be obliged to our friends throughout the country if they will correspond with us every week, giving us the occurrences in their respective neighborhoods. It will be but little labor to them and will make our paper more interesting.

Notices have lately been stuck up along the line of the Mississippi Central extension, to the effect that no more work will be permitted on the road until the debt for past work are paid.

Our thanks are due and hereby rendered to the New York World, for that invaluable handbook of ready reference, the World Almanac for 1873.

A MAN by the name of Foley, the keeper of a hotel, was killed one day the present week, in Columbus, by an Irishman, whose name we did not learn.

JUDGE BOON will deliver a special lecture to the members of the L. O. G. T. at the Lodge on next Tuesday night. All members in good standing from other lodges are invited to be present. If the weather will admit, he will deliver a public address some night next week, at the Methodist Church. Timely notices will be given.

For the Hickman Courier.

**Fire Loss.**

MR. EDITOR: I desire to state that our loss by the burning of our warehouse in Hickman, Ky., on corn and country produce, which was covered by a policy of insurance, No. 134, issued by Judge Samuel Landon, in the United-States Agency of New York, for Fifteen thousand Dollars, has been promptly and satisfactorily adjusted and paid.

J. H. PLATT & BRO.

**DEATH OF AN OLD MAN.**—The Clermont Transcript reports the death of Mr. Vebel Hinton, aged 105 years, died on the 17th inst. He had been entirely deaf for seventy years, and had communication with others by the means of writing on a slate. He was born in Maryland, on the 11th day of November, 1767, and came to Kentucky in 1783, and settled in the neighborhood where he died. For the last two years, he has lived at the house of his son, only about two miles from the place he settled in 1783. He was a devout catholic, and for a number of years had devoted much of his time to prayer. He left seventy three children and grand children. Although he could not hear, he never lost the use of speech, though of late years his articulation was much impaired by age.

**A MODEL PARLOR MAGAZINE.**—This is essentially true of *Democrat's Monthly*, which combines literary attraction of a very high order, with the most complete array of reliable fashions of any periodical in the country. It is a "model," also, of artistic beauty in its illustrations and typography, as any one can see by reference to the beautiful February number, which we find on our table. This popular magazine, together with two beautiful and artistic oil chromos, representing in value \$13. and all for \$3, is among the marvels of literary enterprises.

**BONDUANT & DREWRY**, and also, Platt & Bro., are occupying Railroad warehouse temporarily.

# SOMETHING WRONG AND SERIOUS.

There are people in every community, good, honest, worthy farmers, who entertain a constitutional prejudice against towns and town people. They somehow bring themselves to the belief that there is a rivalry or conflict of interests between the towns and country—that the town man is a lucky, scheming plotter against their interest, and whose whole life is devoted to the study of how to absorb the farmer's resources to the best interests both of the town and the country. The two communities are necessarily somewhat different in manners and customs, the result solely of different pursuits, but their material interests are mutually reciprocal in every point of view. The farmer grows to wealth and ease, and to various advantages in life, precisely in proportion as the town or towns in his vicinity prosper and increase in population. Who ever heard of poor farmers or country people in the vicinity of a rich town or city. Towns are consumers of the farmers' products, and of course the larger their population the larger the consumption, and therefore the better the home market. If the farmer had a population large enough to consume all the produce raised by his corn, cotton, etc., in that he would save in transportation, commission, etc. The relative interests between the town and country applies in everything from peanuts to cotton bales. In truth and in fact, the farmer is much interested, in a general sense, in the success or failure of towns, as the actual town resident. For instance, the erection of a cotton factory at Hickman, employing five hundred operatives, would add just that many more buyers for the farm products. Let the farmer study every aspect of the case, and every intelligent one will concede these facts. They are no more proper without towns—markets—than the towns can prosper without good farmers. If the town of Hickman should be suddenly razed to the ground, with no possibility of the resumption of business, the depreciation of lands in the radius of her trade would be seriously felt. It is true of any town handling a like quantity of produce. Instead of farmers cultivating prejudice against towns, their cry should be more towns and larger ones.

**Corn Shellers.** DOUBLE AND SINGLE SHELLERS and Straw Cutters. Also, a lot of shells will sell at cost or less.

**MARRIAGE UNDER DIFFICULTIES.**—On Tuesday evening week, application was made to the clerk of the county court by a countryman, armed with a certificate from the father of the young lady, who was to be the bride on the occasion, for license to solemnize the rites of matrimony between Mr. L. D. Jones and Miss Mary J. Jones, daughter of Mr. Dick Jones, of this county. The clerk informed the applicant that he could not issue license to a proxy, and besides the certificate was insufficient, not having two attesting witnesses as the law requires. The friend or proxy, returned to his principal and informed him of the failure in obtaining the license, and that he would have to go in person. The prospective bridegroom had the certificate properly attested, and with the view of having the marriage concluded with all possible dispatch, fetched along with him his affianced, and reached the court house at 10 o'clock at night—that terrible cold Tuesday night. The clerk was argued, and a second application was made for license, and the officer finding the certificate in proper form—proceeded to issue the license—and all went smoothly until the question was put to the young candidate for matrimony, whether he was twenty years of age. He innocently responded he was but eighteen. Here was a state difficulty and one which could not be obviated at least at that time. The clerk threw down his pen, shut up his book, and informed the youth that license could not be granted him without a certificate from his father consenting thereto. It was a sad disappointment to the young couple, and they had sympathy of the clerk, and those who accompanied them. To be defeated in their purpose, after riding four miles on such a night was terrible, indeed, awful—and with sorrowing hearts they left. On Wednesday morning—though far away—our young friend determined on visiting the paternal relative, and obtain his consent to the marriage. Though forty miles away, and the thermometer below zero—he bid good bye to his lady fair, and sped on wings of love, or the outside of his horse, to the mansion of his father, and then and there received what he desired—consent but the old man's blessings. On the return, never was forty miles made in better time. Once more at the clerk's office he is—not more than sweet sixteen—the license was forthcoming, and a priest, or parson, or judge, being near at hand, the ceremony was performed at once and on the spot. Their troubles over, and married—seemingly as happy as it is possible for mortals to be, they mounted their horses and went their way homeward.

Never did we know of more determined courage to conquer ill-luck, or fate, or rigid law, than that exhibited by this youthful pair. Defeat or failure are terms unknown to them. They have our congratulations, and our best wishes for a long life of prosperity and happiness.

**THE BROWNLEE BEE** says: "We earn by private letter from F. M. Sangster, of Fulton, that the fires in the bluff at Fort Pillow continue burning. The bluffs have been on fire for the last twenty-four weeks, supposed to be a bed of lignite that is being consumed. There is thought to be a vein of coal in the immediate vicinity, and there is some talk of sinking a shaft to test the matter."

# Grand Carnival Procession.

Mardi Gras Celebration.

HICKMAN, KY., FEB. 25, 1873.

**PROGRAMME.** The managers will assemble at Heins's Hall, at 2 o'clock P. M. Commencement of march, 3 o'clock P. M.

**ORDER OF PROCESSION.** 1. Brass Band. 2. Prince Carnival and Adjutant. 3. Courtiers. 4. Bismarck, Minister. 5. Military. 6. Grand Manager. 7. Great Ice Boat of Alaska. 8. Citizens on foot. 9. Citizens horseback.

**ROUTE OF PROCESSION.** The procession will start from the above place of meeting, and march through Jackson and Clinton Streets, over the hill, to West Hickman, and back to the hall of the Streets.

**Boxing.** 8 o'clock, —Masquerade Ball—Tickets \$1.50. All from far and near are respectfully and kindly invited to participate in the procession and ball. Doors open 7 o'clock P. M.

**TEUTONIA SINGING SOCIETY.**

The small pox scare has subsided in Paducah. Mr. Weil will probably be the Democratic candidate for Mayor of Paducah.

BILLS have been introduced into the Kentucky Legislature to exempt undertakers and prescription clerks from serving on juries.

HON. S. J. BAYARD, of New Jersey, who headed the straight-out Democratic movement last year, has joined the Republicans.

It is proposed to send a peaceable delegation to treat with the Mohees. General Gillem proposes to treat them with powder and lead.

The jury in the case of Ross Tweed could not agree, and were discharged. It is understood that nine were for acquittal, and only three for conviction.

A proposition is pending in the General Assembly repealing all lottery privileges heretofore granted, provided that the repealing act shall not affect any vested rights.

Terzard's Chill Cure and his continued use of it, is now producing in General Ague, when Bernard's Chill Cure will cure you.

The Legislature of Kentucky is investigating charges against Dr. Black, superintendent of the Feeble Minded Institute at Frankfort. A female patient of the institution became the mother of a child, and charges the superintendent, Dr. Black, with being the father.

The Cynthia News calls the Judges of the Kentucky Court of Appeals dead beats, and says the Court itself is the biggest humbug in creation.

REV. Aston Young, formerly proprietor of the St. Louis House, Nashville, Tenn., is now preaching in Central Kentucky. He is said to have had charge of sixty seven hotels in his life time.

AFTER a virtual suspension of about two months the navigation of the Ohio has been resumed and doubtless will not be interrupted again until low water.

The City Council of Louisville have tendered the State \$500,000 in cash and the use of the Court House and City Hall, provided the Capital be removed to Louisville.

KENTUCKY Senate concurred in the House amendment to the Third Asylum bill and it has doubtless become a law by this time. The amendments confer upon commissioners power to locate the Asylum in any part of the State and provided for the enlargement of the Hopkinsville asylum.

It is stated that Millerism is reviving in Vermont, and that the near approach of the world's final configuration is confidently predicted. Some of the preachers say that our cloud capped towers, gorgeous places, and solemn temples will go by the board some time this month.

SAYS the American Manufacturer whatever may be the prejudices toward the introduction of Chinese labor in this country, there are benefits which may arise from it that may far overbalance what may seem at first to be injurious to American labor.

The average age of farmers is sixty five years, while that of printers is only thirty three, which shows the necessity of prompt payment to the latter, so that they may have the pleasure of handling their own money during their short sojourn on this sublunary sphere.

**LOUISVILLE EDDIER.** The Louisville Weekly Leader is all respects a first class paper. Large, handsomely printed on good paper, ably edited, soundly democratic, and is furnished for the uniform and astonishingly low price of one cent a year. It is beyond doubt the cheapest paper of its class in the United States. Address: W. P. D. Buss & Co., Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Laura D. Fair, is rapidly fading her level. Her last appearance in public was in a San Francisco ball room, where she delivered her lecture, "Wolves in the Fold." If some kind would be induced to lay her away quietly in its stomach, and digest her lecture, it would be a grand opportunity for the whole wolf fraternity in the estimation of the public.

**Furs!! Furs!!** Having large stock of different style and grades of Furs on hand, the New York store will close the same out at New York in the time to buy.

**Cotton Tax Reforming Bill Defeated.** The Committee of Way and Means to-day discussed Mr. Beck's bill to refund the cotton tax. Mr. Brooks assented. The vote stood—Kelley, Borah, and Finkenburgh, Ellis H. Roberts, and Dawes against the bill, and Maynard, Beck, and Kerr in favor.

Mr. Dawes agreed with the minority that the export tax on cotton was unconstitutional, but thought that it was not the proper time to take legislative action on the subject. The committee will report adversely on the bill, with an understanding, however, that the minority shall have a full hearing before the House.

# Council Proceedings.

Called Meeting, Feb. 1, 1873.

Present—Mayor Tyler, Councilmen Freun, Harrow, Thomas and Landrum. The Mayor stated that the object of calling the Council together was to receive the resignation of J. H. Davis, judge of the city court, and to order election to fill vacancy occasioned thereby.

**RESIGNATION ACCEPTED.** J. H. Davis presented his resignation which was received and ordered filed.

**ELECTION ORDERED.** On motion, it was ordered that an election be held, at the city hall, in the city of Hickman, on Tuesday, the 11th day of February, 1873, to elect a judge to fill the unexpired term of J. H. Davis, resigned. T. J. Buck and Thomas J. Lane, were appointed judges and W. T. Lineback, Marshall, and W. A. Brevard, clerk of said election. In case the judges fail to serve, the marshal and clerk are directed to supply their places.

**RELIGIOUS.**—J. F. McCutchen, of Cumberland Presbyterian Church, will preach at the Methodist Church to-night, and at 11 o'clock, to-morrow.

**DIAMOND LIZARD.**—If there are in truth such in Arizona can be entered by miners and be the extent of an ordinary individual right, secured to claims with all the wealth of the nation. This is the opinion of the Attorney General, whose advice was asked, that if and when the United States, they will have a claim to a homestead section, and perhaps might find happiness and contentment in the quietude of the land. The Attorney General's opinion comes too late, as the diamond humming has long since expired.

**STRIKES IN EUROPE.**—This is emphatically an age of strikes. What ever the influences which have stirred the "thorny-handed sons of toil" to rebellious action, certain it is that, their power once discovered, they are not slow to exercise it. The rise of trade unions in England, the rapid growth of the International, the Communist struggle of Paris, have perhaps been the most salient recent causes which have led to these labor combinations throughout Europe which are now disturbing the economic condition of nations, and constitute perhaps the gravest element in the movement in which Europeans are content vaguely to define as "the revolution." The strikes of Sheffield, Birmingham and New Castle in England, and those of Muenster and Lille in France, set an example which has been eagerly followed, not only by every department of labor in those countries, but in the remote corners of the continent.

**A CURIOUS POOL.**—Another Vermont curiosity. J. B. Smith, the sum of the Green Mountains, three-fourths of a mile south of Hancock township, is a pond one hundred yards in length, fifty yards wide, which is of unknown depth. It has been sounded one hundred feet and no bottom found! It is fed by only one small spring of ice-cold water, that would scarce fill a lead pipe, while its outlet is six or eight times as large. Its water is very warm. Trout and leaches of large size inhabit the pond in goodly numbers, the latter especially.

**JUST RECEIVED.** A new lot of Rubber Shoes. Also, over-shoes for ladies and men. S. N. WHITE.

**MARKET REPORTS.** New York Market. New York, Feb. 6. Gold.—The gold market was quiet to-day. 113 1/2-114 1/2. Cotton.—Cotton market, firm, middling uplands 21 1/2. General Market.—Flour 64 to 85. Wheat quiet. Corn firm, old Western 62 1/2-67. Hides quiet. Coffee, Rio 15-20 1/2.

St. Louis Market. St. Louis, Feb. 6. Cotton market quiet, low middling 18 1/2. Flour firm. No business of consequence done.

Memphis Market. Memphis, Feb. 6. Cotton in fair demand, low middling 19 1/2. Corn 62 1/2-65. Hides quiet. Coffee, Rio 15-20 1/2.

New Orleans Market. New Orleans, Feb. 6. Cotton market active, middling 20 1/2. Flour scarce, family 57 1/2 to 60. Corn, 75-80. Hides quiet. Coffee, Rio 15-20 1/2.

**Commercial.** HICKMAN COURIER OFFICE, Saturday, February 8, 1873. CORN—shelled 34 1/2, ear 35. COTTONS.—We quote at 23 to 17 1/2. WHEAT—\$1.30 1/2. MEAL—From wagons at 55c. BUTTER—Fresh, 20 lbs. for lb. POULTRY, ETC.—Young Chickens, 2 to 2 1/2 per doz. Old from 3 1/2 to 4. Eggs, 20c per doz. WOOL—65 to 75c. lb. washed. GESSING—70-75c. per pound. SALT—by car load, 100 lbs. barrel \$3.00, by retail 3 25, 250 lbs. barrel by car load \$2.25, by retail \$3.00 each \$2.50. WAGONS—Baltimore & Co's Steel Plow, No. 1, \$7.00. No. 2, 9.00. No. 3, 10.00. No. 4, 11.00. By the lot not less than a dozen.

**Hickman Wholesale Prices, SEED.** TIMOTHY, per bushel, \$4.50. CLOVER, " " 7.00. ORCHARD, " " 8.50. HEDGES, " " 2.00. BLUE, " " 3.50. MILLET, " " 8.00.

**STAVES.** Extra Pines, 6 cents apiece. No. 1 Pipes, 8 " " No. 2 Pipes, 8 " " No. 1 Hides, 4 " " No. 2 Hides, 2 1/2 " " No. 1 Claret, 3 " " No. 2 Claret, 2 " "

**BAGGING.**—6 1/2 cts per yard. IRON TIES—\$3 to 10. BROWN AXES—\$2.50 to \$3.00. BUCKETS, 3 dozen, \$3.00. BROOMS, 3 dozen, \$2.50. BROWN SHEETING, 9 yard, 10 1/2 cts. CINDLES, 30, 20 cts. DATES—Black, 4 cts; white, 5 cts. CHEESE—per lb. 15c. COFFEE, No. 23, 24c. CRACKERS, 3 1/2 lbs. 24c. CASTINGS, 3 lbs. 34c. COTTON YARNS, 8 dozen, 12c. COAL OIL, 8 gallons, 27c. FLOUR, 8c 00/100 lb. FEATHERS, 8c 50/100 lb. GUNPOWDER, 25c 00/100 lb. BLASTING POWDER, 5c 00/100 lb. HIDES, green, 5c. DRY LICE, 1 lb. HORSE SHOES 3c 1/2 doz. LARD OIL, 8 gallons, 27c. LARD, 9c 1/2 lb.

# Temperance Department.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE.

A. D. KINGMAN, C. L. RANDOLPH AND J. H. ROCHAM.

**MODERATE DRINKER.**—You say to educate a young man to steal is wrong. You also say that drunkenness is wrong, and you are forced to admit that all drunkards come from moderate drinking, yet you are by your example educating the youths of our land for what you say is wrong. No man ever became a drunkard until he had graduated at the school in which you teach. Think of this, and act upon it.

**HICKMAN AHEAD.**—In speaking a few days since about thirteen bills having been introduced, in one day, before the Tennessee Legislature "to prevent abuses arising from the sale of spirituous liquors," a friend remarked that Hickman could beat that, for he had known over twenty bills presented in one house here for that purpose in a day. The bills in most cases were drafted and paid, and the business continued to be visited on the heads of innocent wives and helpless children.

**THE REASON WHY.**—We don't succeed in preventing drunkenness, is because you won't come and help us. If every man was sincere who says drunkenness is wrong, and would abstain sincerely by his works, it would not be a twelve month before the sale of intoxicating drinks as a beverage in our county would be abolished, and drunkenness would be rare in our community.

**INDEPENDENT ACTION.**—How much individuals are governed by their surroundings, or how little there is of independent action is a point that is hard to ascertain, yet there is found to cross out the course of almost every one, striking characteristics, which to a reasonable certainty will enable us to arrive at correct conclusions. How often we are misled by special pleading—how often blinded by our predilections or swayed by appeals to our passions, or interest, by unprincipled or unskillful speakers or writers. The man who sees but one side of any question, or who misrepresents every other position but the one conducing to uphold his views, is not entitled to credit, nor can his action be said to be independent.

That much of the action of the present day is founded upon prejudice, and not on principle, is lamentable—human and divine. That little of the action is free and independent, is equally true, and while such a course of prejudice, friendship, or interest prevails, when there is so little cool, calm, deliberate thought about vital questions, and perhaps less action than thought, who can expect progress or advancement. To think right without conforming our action to such thought is as useless as to attempt to adorn Bismarck's traveling companion with a set of patients from each car. A man should think and act for himself, but a monkey does what he is taught. The independence of the truth commands our respect and confidence, why not our action? The poet has beautifully said:

Honor and fame from no condition rise; Act well your part there all the honor lies. These reflections are penned for the consideration of that class of our citizens, who say they are the friends of the Temperance movement, but whose acts do not conform to their professions. From the fact, as we believe, that it is not popular, or there is no money in it. They are time servers, barely fit to live and too mean to die.

**What the Matter.** In the Tennessee Legislature on the 23d ult. I see no less than thirteen bills introduced on that day, "to prevent the abusive sale of spirituous liquors. These varied bills were offered by members from different parts of the State, and from the flood pouring in on that day, a reasonable inference might be drawn that the members of that body had been on a "bender" the night before and the necessity for some radical reform was so apparent as to cause a "ground-swell."

**Non-Resistant Notice.** JOHN M. OLIVER, take notice, that I shall apply to the Fulton County Court, at its next February term, on the 10th day of February, 1873, for the appointment of three competent commissioners to assign to Dr. J. M. Oliver, his dower and to divide the North-East quarter of section 31, Township 11, Range 8 West, between the owners of said land, after said dower is assigned.

**Marble Works.** HICKMAN MARBLE WORKS, HICKMAN, KY.

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# New Advertisements.

Taken Up.

A S Stray by William Higgs, living one mile south of Hickman, one mile south of Dyersburg road, in Fulton county, Ky., on the 24th day of December last, one dark bay horse about three years marked with swallow-fork and underbit of left ear, and under half crop of right ear, white spots in forehead, having no brand or other mark; and appraised at the value of \$8, witness my hand, this 4th day of January 1873.

J. W. WATKINS, J. P. F. C.

**SPECIAL NOTICES.** CHEMISTRY is furnishing us new agents for fuel, force, food, and many other important also over the world we possess. Paris from which commerce was driven during the hot months, by their terrible fevers, are visited all the year with impunity now. Many localities in the South and West, kept tenantless by their deleterious miasms, are now filling up with populations under the protection of Ayer's Ague Cure. Their afflicting chills and fevers are so effectively cured by this remedy, that the disease no longer turns emigration into a fearful pestilence. It is a cure for all the fevers of the tropics. Ayer's Ague Cure, 10c. per bottle. Ayer's Ague Cure, 10c. per bottle.

**Extra Special Notice.** Beware of Counterfeits! Smith's Tonic Syrup has been counterfeited, and the counterfeits are being sold in many places. The genuine article must be Dr. John Bull's private stamp on each bottle. Dr. John Bull only has the right to manufacture and sell the original John Bull's Tonic Syrup. Beware of the label on each bottle. If my private stamp is not on the bottle, do not purchase it. Beware of the label on each bottle. If my private stamp is not on the bottle, do not purchase it.

**For the Hickman Courier.**

**Practical and Striking ILLUSTRATION OF THE BENEFITS OF LIFE INSURANCE.**

HICKMAN, KY., Dec. 12, 1872. To Samuel Landrum, Esq., District Agent Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, of New Ark, New Jersey:

Sir:—Allow me, through this letter, to acknowledge the payment this day made me by you of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS in full of policy No. 61455 upon the life of my deceased husband, Geo. B. Caldwell, late of this county. My husband, during the war, resided in Missouri, and at its close having lost in a manner mannered and real land in Ohio county, for three years. He then came to Fulton county, and purchased a farm, borrowing the larger part of the money and mortgaging the farm to secure its payment.

On the 15th of January, 1870, he was informed by you to apply for, and obtained in the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company, New Ark, New Jersey, policy No. 61455, on his life, for Two Thousand Dollars, at a semi annual premium of \$42.32, so in case of his death, I would receive with the money to save a home for myself and children. He died in August last, having lived to pay only five semi annual payments to the Company.

I desire to return to the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company for the prompt payment of this loss, and also to yourself for your kindness in making up the necessary papers in proof of loss, free of any expense to me. Respectfully, MARGARET A. CALDWELL.

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J. AMBERG,

OFFERS TO THE TRADE, A LARGE AND VARIED ASSORTMENT OF FALL GOODS, The rarest quality of Silks & Dress Goods.

Compelling all desirable styles suitable for the spring trade. The Stock consists of Gun Brand of ALPACAS AND MOHAIRS, Mariposa and Yosemite Stripes, White Goods and Quills, Linens, Damasks and Towels, Hamburg Edgings and Insertions, Nottingham Curtains, Real and Imitation Lace, Veil Bareges and Greenadines, Handkerchiefs, &c. &c.

**WHITE GOODS.** Also, have connected with my stock GOLD MEDAL FABRICS. 3-4 and 5-4 Black Greenadines, Cashmere de Boussie, Rolled Silk Chain Poplin, 6-4 Silk Chain Poplin and Spinglins, Paris and German Fancy Dress Goods.

**Gents Department.** We have a large assortment of Gents' Ready-Made Clothing, viz: Suits, Suits, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, etc. Also, a large line of

**CARPETS.** Our stock of Carpets cannot be excelled in fabric or style. apr16-1m.